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CASTING OF METALS

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

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Sir:

The undersigned hereby petitions for an extension of time to respond to the Official Action of January 9, 2006 for one month to May 9, 2006.

Please charge the extension fee of \$120 to Deposit Account No. 25-0120. If this fee is insufficient, the Patent Office is hereby authorized to charge any additional extension fee to Deposit Account No. 25-0120. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

A responsive paper is filed herewith.

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